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RIVERSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT CONDUCTS “Minor Decoy” OPERATION

Riverside, CA – On February 12, 2015, The Riverside Police Department VICE Unit conducted a “Minor Decoy” operation in the City of Riverside. A minor, under the supervision of Vice officers, enters on-sale establishments and attempts to purchase alcohol from an employee. The minors were directed to show their California driver’s license, California identification card, or tell the employee their age if asked.

The operation focused on fourteen (14) businesses and was conducted over a five-hour period. Each employee at the various locations either checked for identification or asked the age of the decoy. They properly asked the decoy to leave the establishment without serving them a drink.

Adults arrested for furnishing alcohol to minors could face up to a \$500.00 fine, up to 36 months of probation, jail time and/or community service. This project is part of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control’s Grant Assistance Program (GAP), funded by the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

